granted to them as they tempered with the CLI of the calling party. And for violation of license agreement a notice for imposing penalty of Rs. 150 crones have been issued by DoT to M/s Reliance on 24.11.2004. For this violation as per the IUC agreement, BSNL has asked M/s Reliance Infocom Limited to pay Rs. 182 crore on 29th October, 2004. However, M/s Reliance Infocom Limited appealed against this before the Hon'ble High Court. BSNL had filed an SLP(C) in the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India on 22nd November, 2004 to grant stay against the interim order dated 5th November, 2004 of the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi. The Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in its order dated 3rd December, 2004 has directed M/s RIL to make full payment as claimed by BSNL *vide* its letter dated 29th October, 2004 *i.e.* sum of Rs. 182.7 crores within a period of 4 weeks and subject to this payment by M/s RIL there shall be stay on the disconnection of its POIs by BSNL. The Hon'ble Supreme Court of India has also directed M/s RIL to file an affidavit that it is not changing the CLI of the international calls. While the total dues pending on M/s Reliance Infocom Limited as on 5.11.04 was Rs. 257 crore, M/s Reliance Infocom Limited has only paid approximately Rs. 100 crore so far. Similarly, MTNL has made a claim of Rs. 341.27 crores against M/s Reliance Infocom Limited and Reliance Infocom Limited has paid Rs. 66.76 crores to MTNL.

Telephone Exchanges connected with digital microwave system in Jammu and Kashmir

718. SHRI T.S. BAJWA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of telephone exchanges functioning in Jammu and Kashmir at present;

(b) the number of telephone exchanges connected with Digital Microwave System in the State; and

(c) the number of telephone exchanges likely to be opened in Jammu and Kashmir during 2004-05?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD): (a) 359 telephone exchanges are working in Jammu and Kashmir at present.

(b) 57 telephone exchanges are connected with Digital Microwave System at present in the State.

(c) 14 telephone exchanges are likely to be opened in Jammu and Kashmir during 2004-05.

Retention of Licensing Power by DoT

719. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Telecom policy of 1991 has been revamped and the Department of Telecom has decided to retain licensing powers;

(b) if so, to what extent this telecom policy of 1999 has been revamped and what are the changes likely to be made; and

(c) to what extent it would be more beneficial than 1991 policy?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD): (a) There was no Telecom Policy of 1991.

(b) An Addendum to the New Telecom Policy-1999 was issued in November, 2003 for Unified Licence for Telecommunication Services and Unified Access Service Licence permitting Licensee to provide all telecommunication/telegraph services covering various geographical areas using any technology and to provide Basic and/or Cellular Services using and technology in a defined service area. Keeping in view the rapidly changing technology, the Government feel that there is scope and need for suitably reviewing and revamping the NTP-1999. Necessary changes will be brought in at the appropriate time and no time-frame can be fixed at this stage.

(c) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

Upgradation of PCO centres

720. SHRIMATIKUM KUM RAI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of PCO centres in the country that have been upgraded as multiple internet service centres;